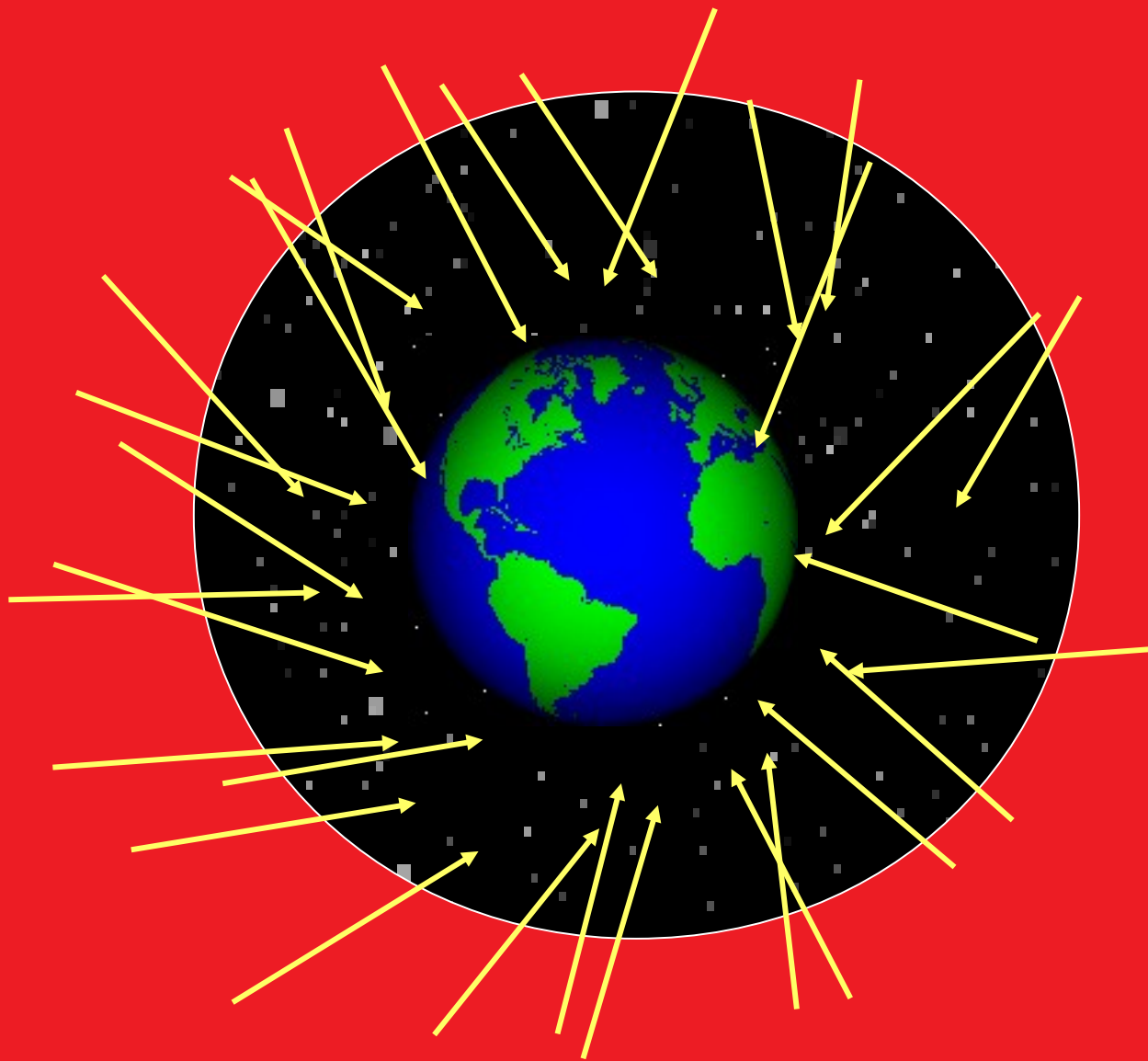


Extreme Energy Events

A (very) brief introduction

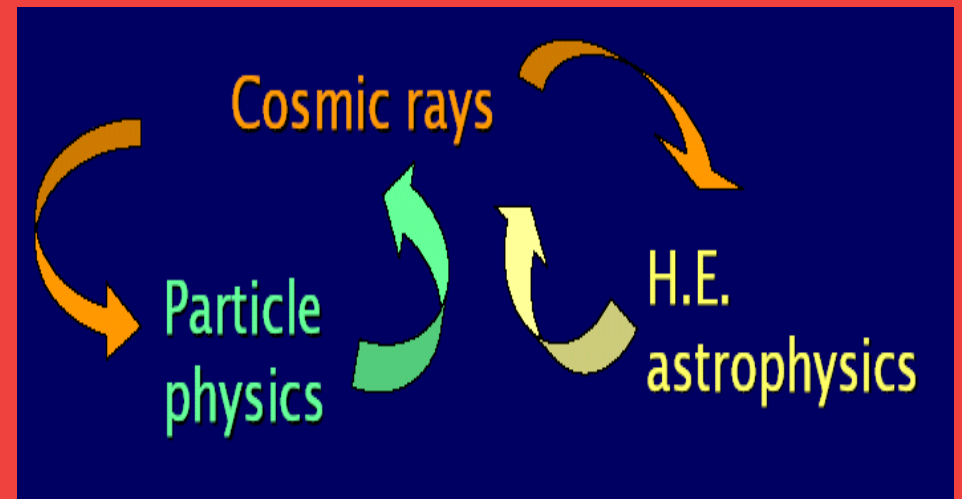
Why
Extreme Energy Events

It's a long journey
In time and space...





Victor Hess after his 1912 balloon flight, during which he discovered cosmic rays from space. © National Geographic.



1927 Dimitry Skobelzyn

pictured the first tracks out of cosmic rays particles

1932 Carl Anderson

the POSITRON

1933 Patrick Blackett

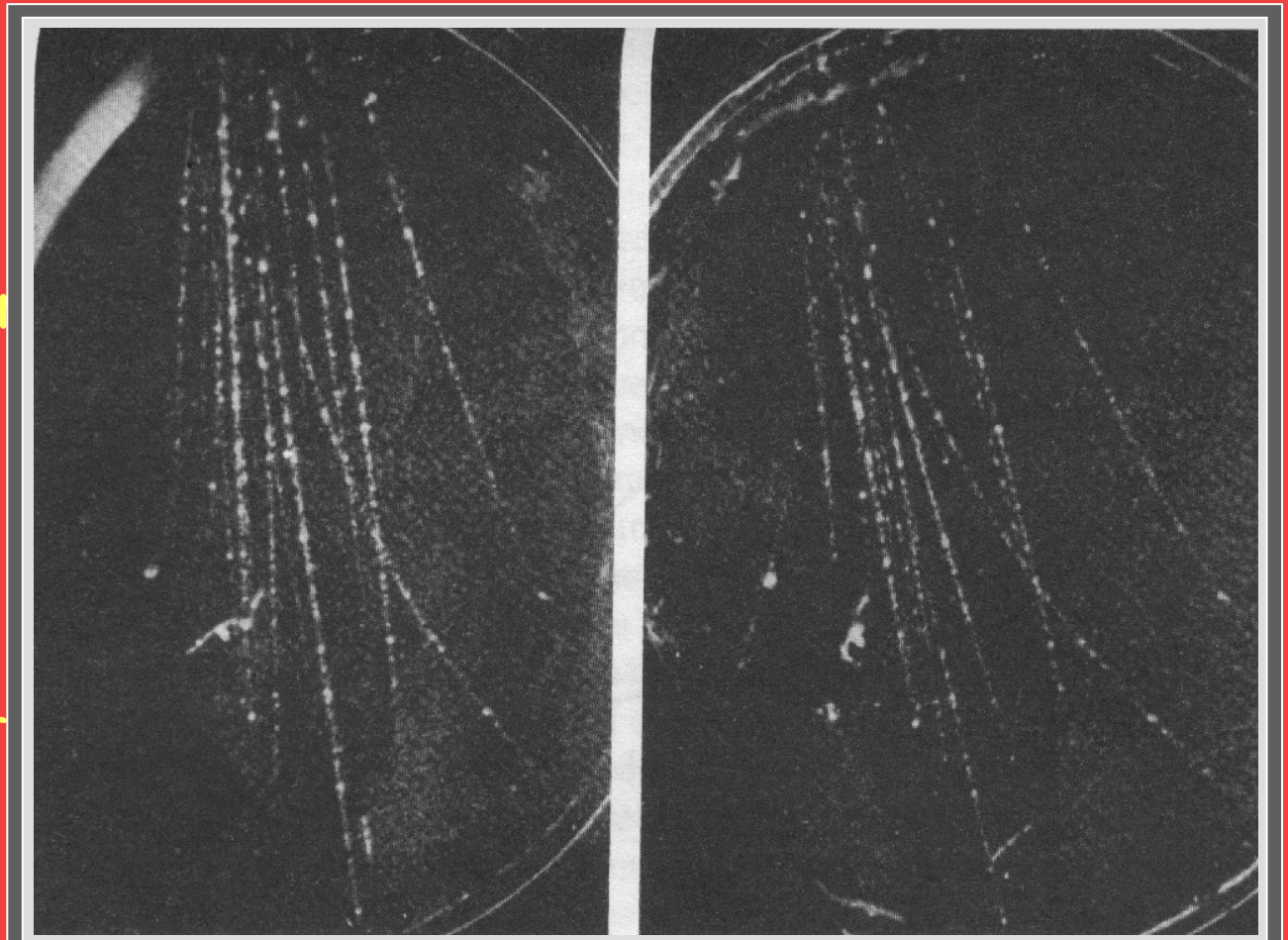
and Giuseppe Occhialini

POSITRON-ELECTRON
pair

1937 Seth Neddermeyer

and Carl Anderson

The MUON



Fotografia stereoscopica di uno sciame (P. Blackett & G. Occhialini, 1933)

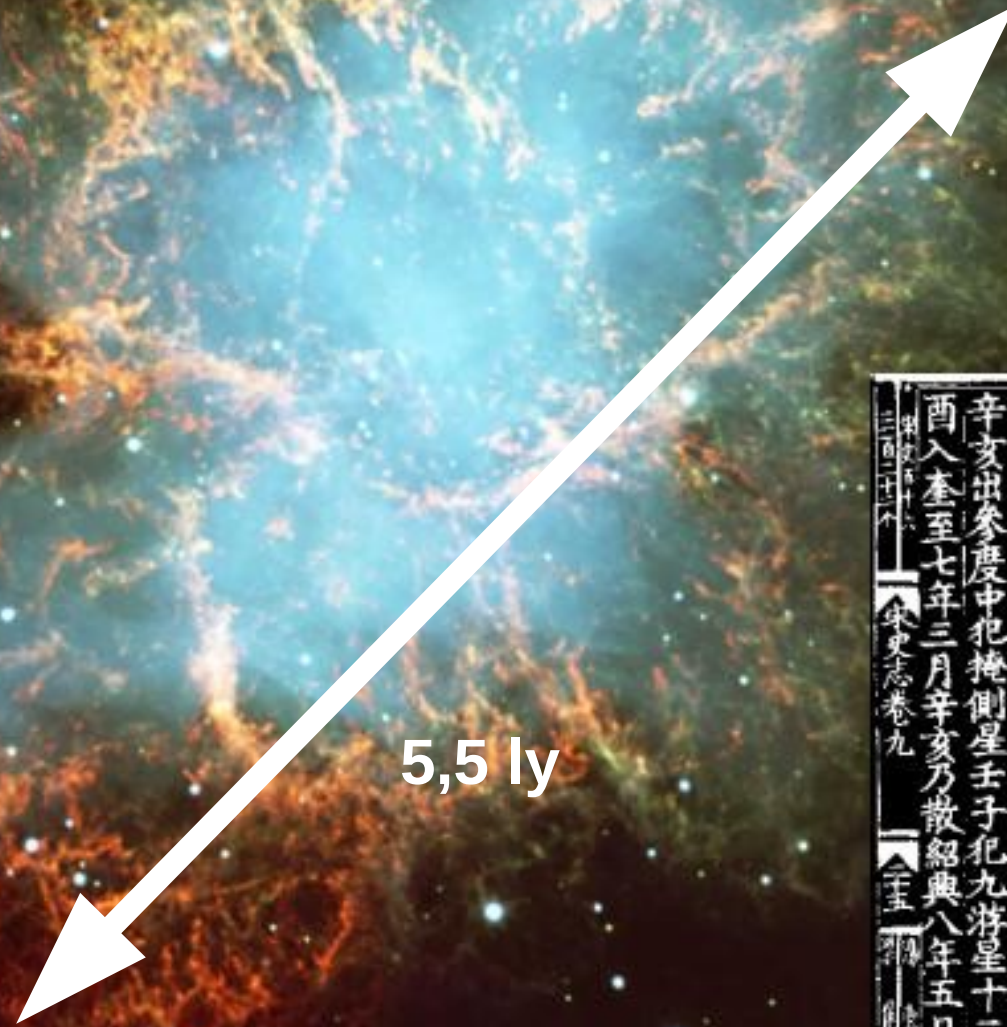
Nowadays the
cosmic rays are
fundamental
tools to observe
the far Universe
in search for
new Physics



Crab Nebula (Observed for the first time in 1054 DC in China)

A supernova remnants after the death of an ancient star

There heavy elements
are produced
and cosmic rays
are accelerated
by shock waves



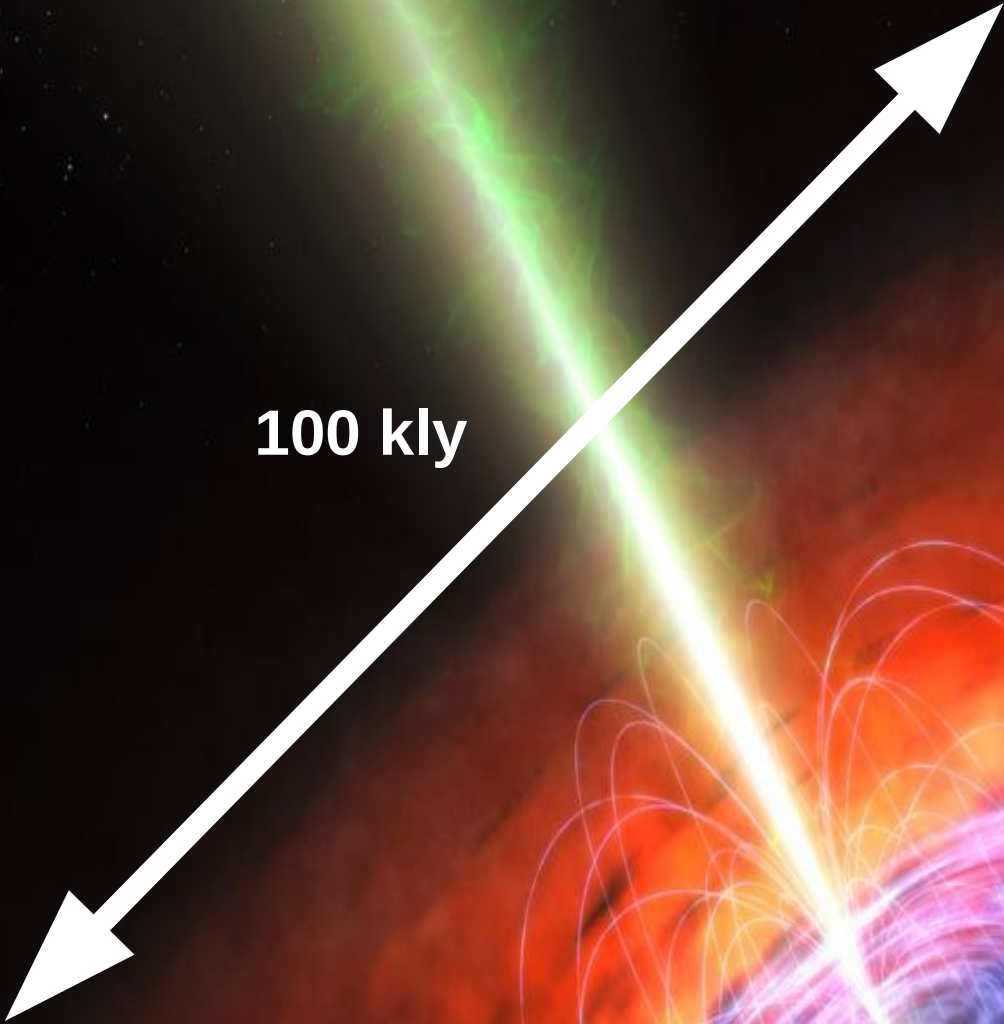
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凡十一日没三年三月乙巳出東南方大中祥符四年正月丁丑見南斗魁前天禧五年四月丙辰出軒轅前星西北大如桃速行經軒轅太星入太微垣掩右執法犯次將歷屏星西北凡七十五日入濁没明道元年六月乙巳出東北方近濁有芒彗至丁巳凡十三日没至和元年五月己丑出天關東南可數寸歲餘稍没熙寧二年六月丙辰出箕度中至七月丁卯犯箕乃散三年十一月丁未出天囷元祐六年十一月辛亥出參度中犯掩側星壬子犯九游星十二月癸酉入奎至七年三月辛亥乃散紹興八年五月守婁

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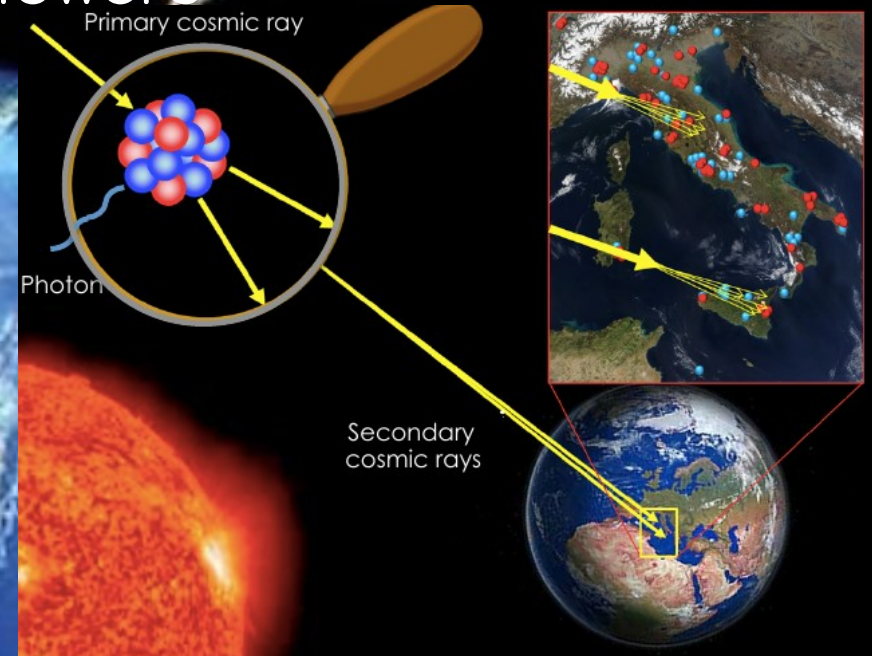
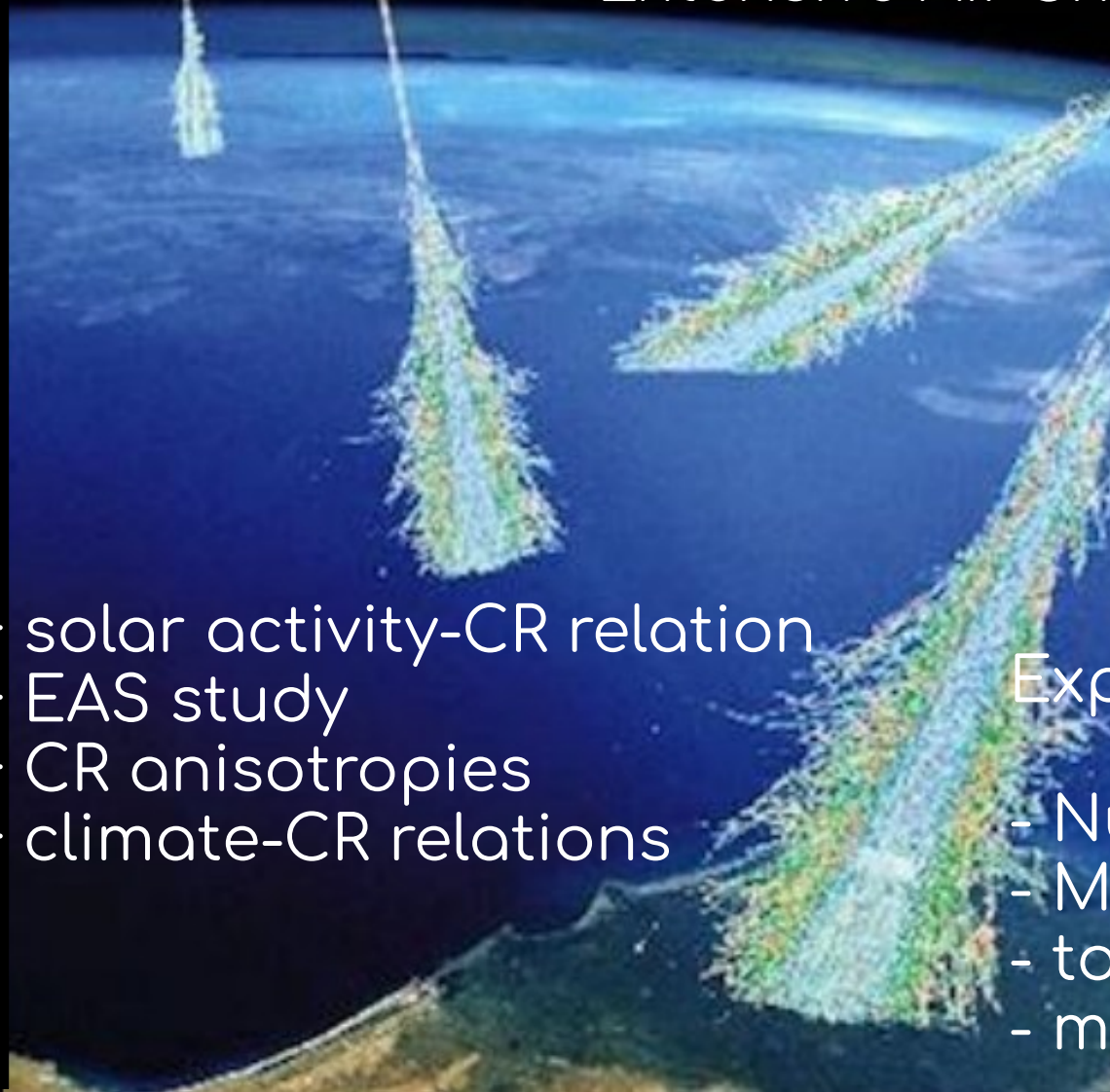
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Active Galactic Nuclei



100 kly

EEE is an extended and inhomogeneous array
for the search of
Long Distance Correlations
Extensive Air Showers



- + solar activity-CR relation
- + EAS study
- + CR anisotropies
- + climate-CR relations

Expected by several models

- Nuclei photodisintegration
- Massive Dark Matter
- topological defects
- many others ...

Present status:

Total **60** telescopes

54 inside high schools buildings

2 at CERN

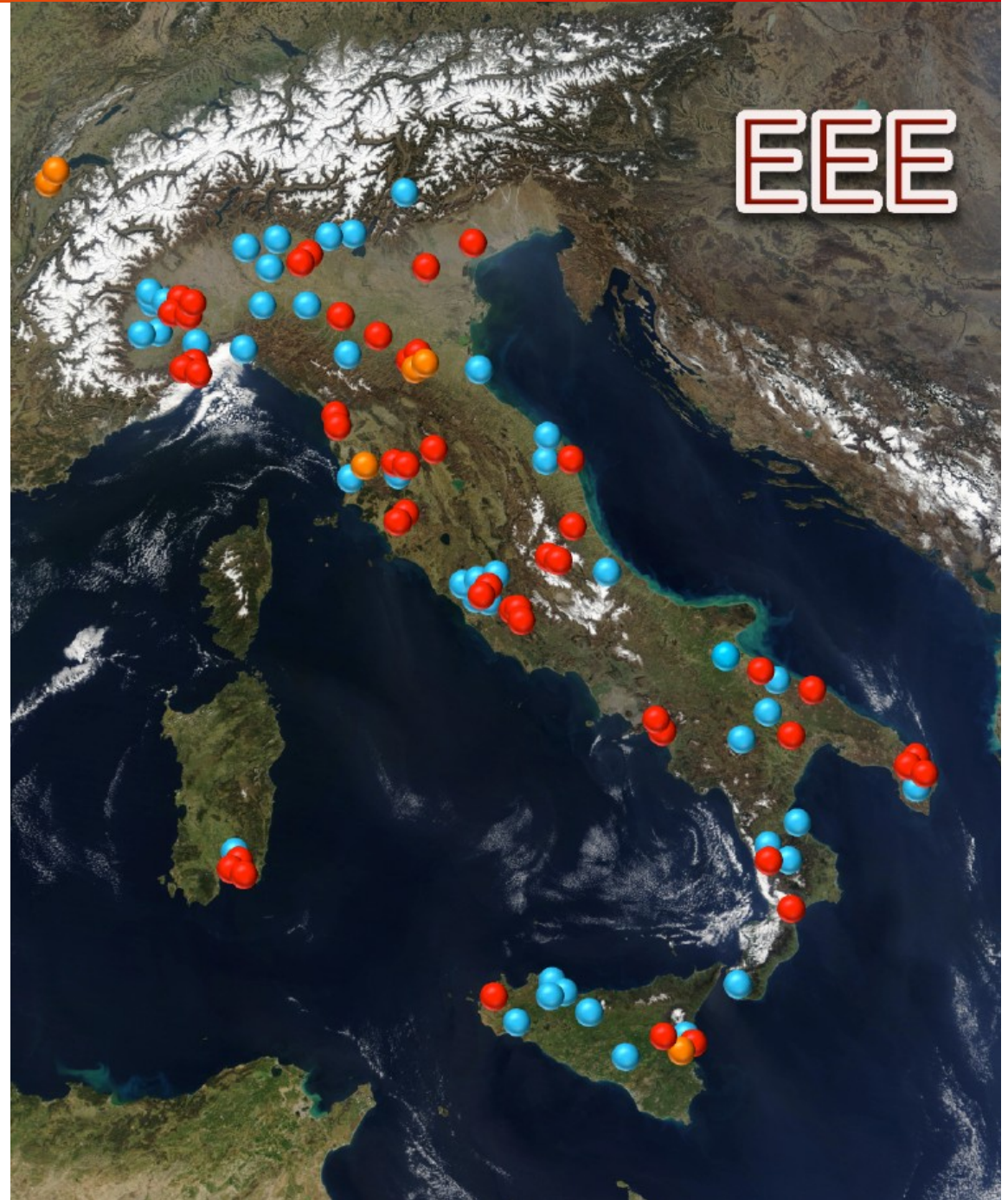
4 inside INFN and Universities

over a surface of $3 \cdot 10^5 \text{ km}^2$

covering
 10° in latitude and longitude



Mostly organized
In **12 clusters**
for EAS detection



The Multigap Resistive Plate Chamber (see M.P. Panetta talk)

Same technology used for the Time Of Flight (TOF) measurement at ALICE (LHC)

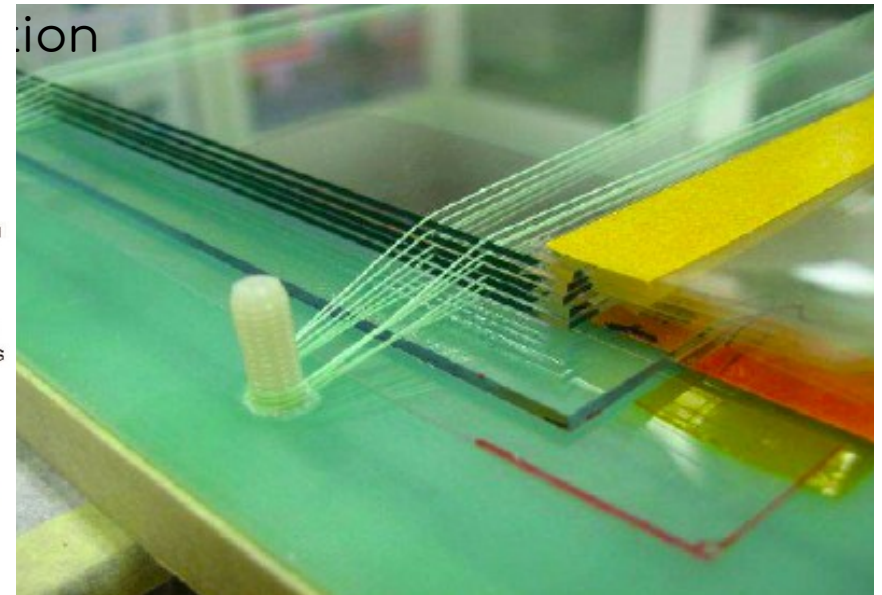
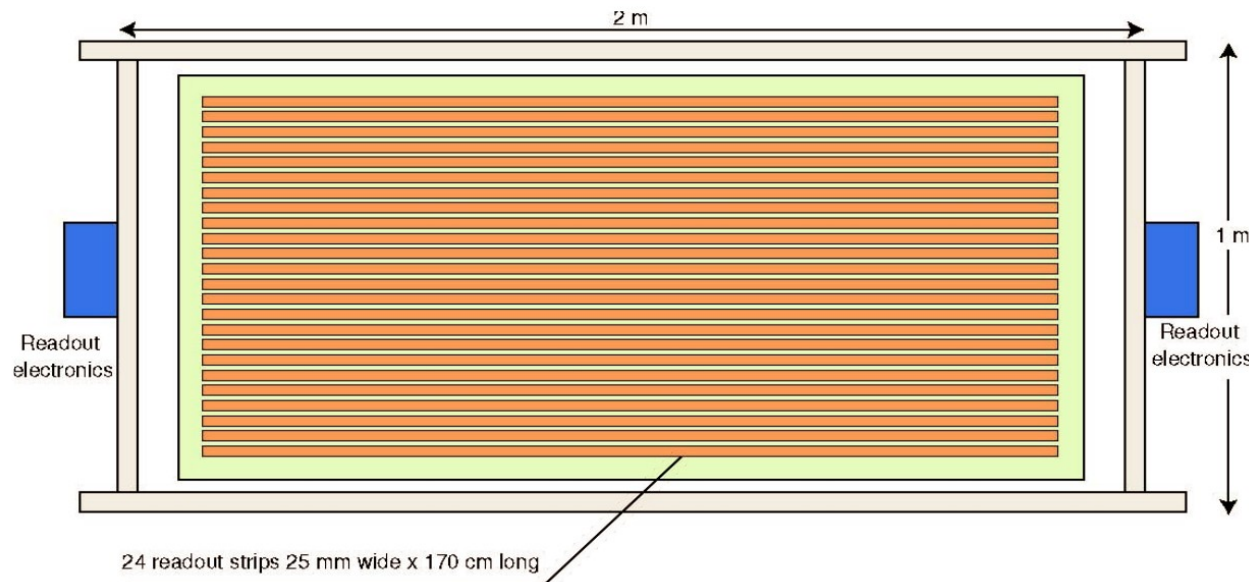
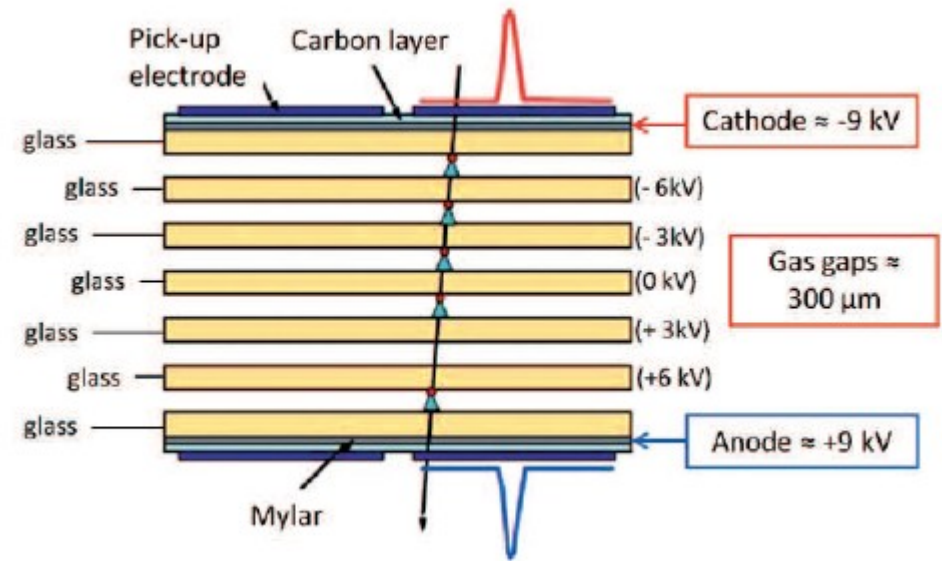
6 gas gaps 250-300 μm

$\text{C}_2\text{H}_2\text{F}_4$ (98%) / SF_6 (2%) mixture

18-20 kV working voltage

24 strips per chamber, 2.5 cm pitch

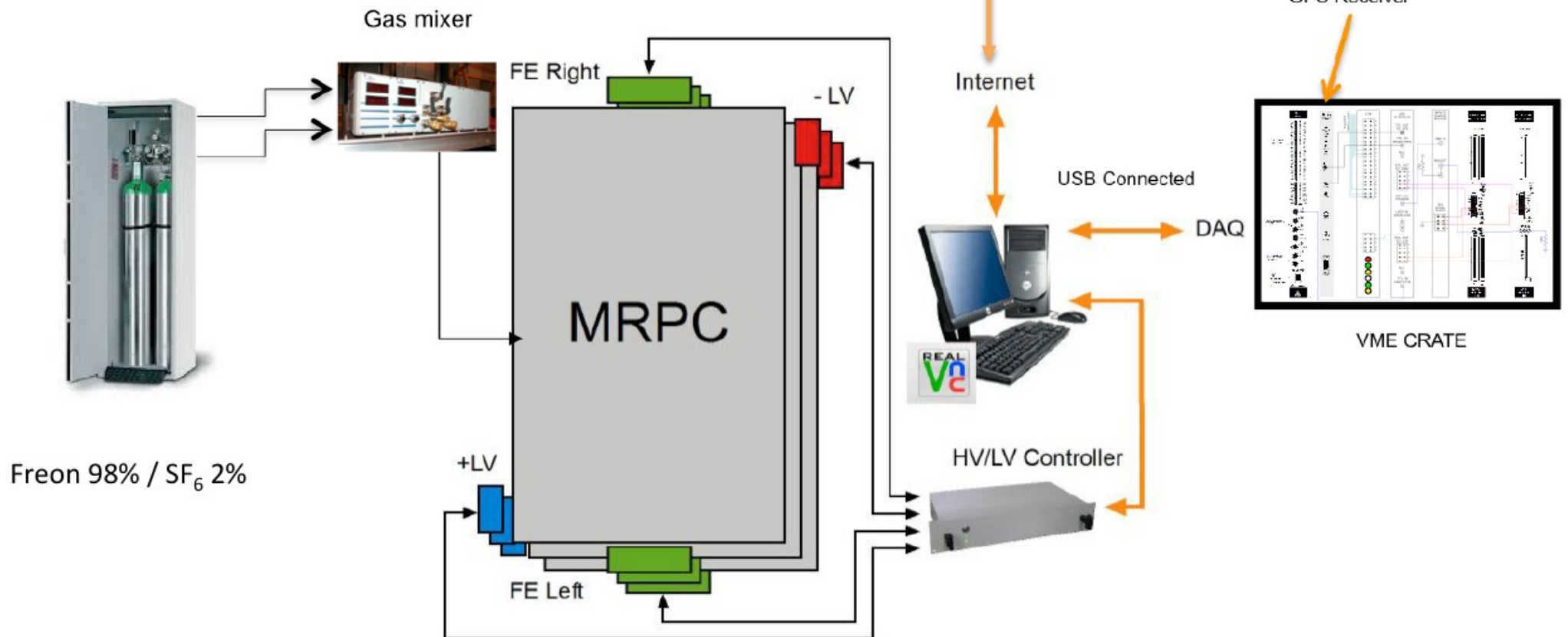
The signal induced on the strips is the **sum of the 6 gaps signals**



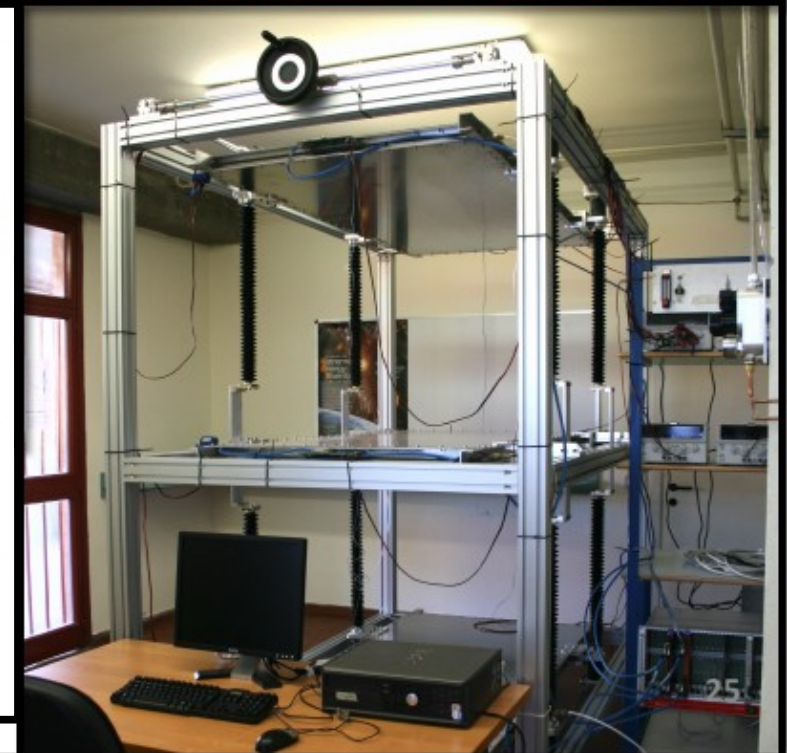
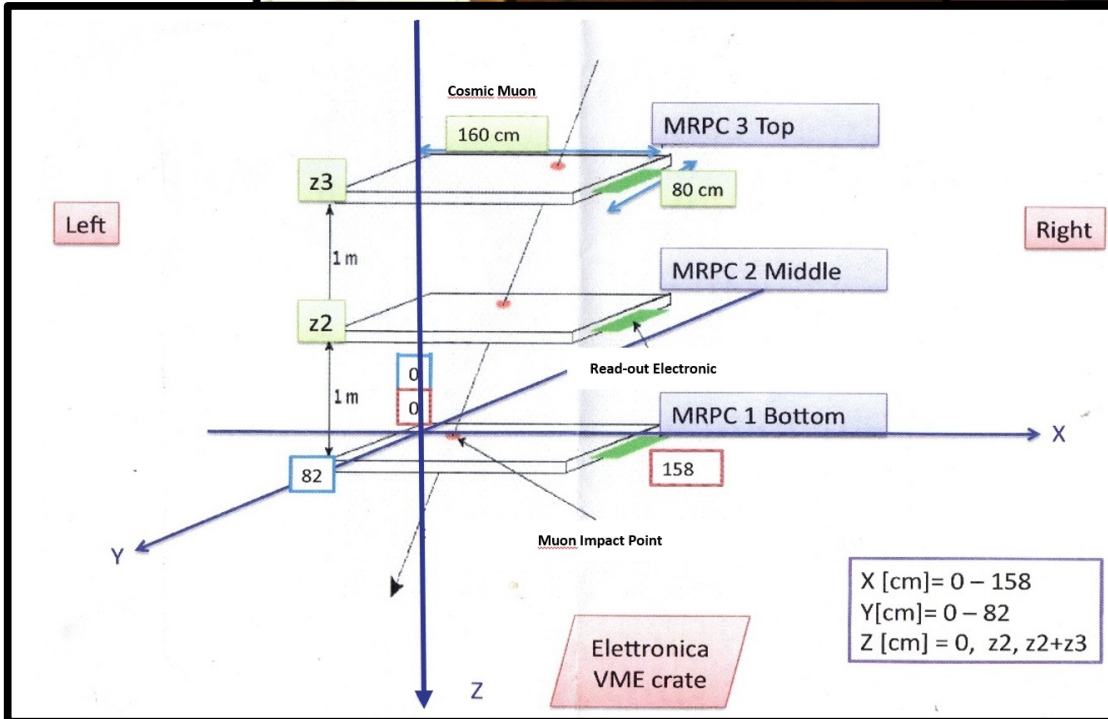
144 readout channels

TDCs @ 100 ps (can be operated to 25 ps)

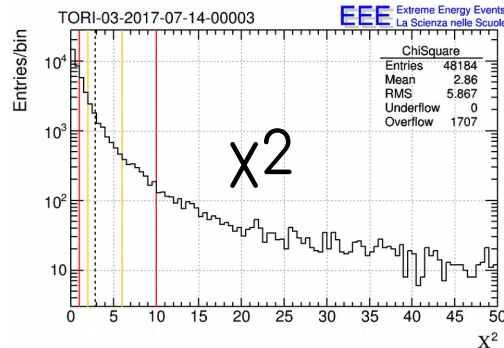
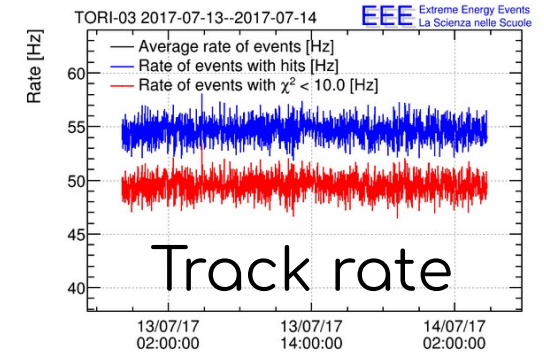
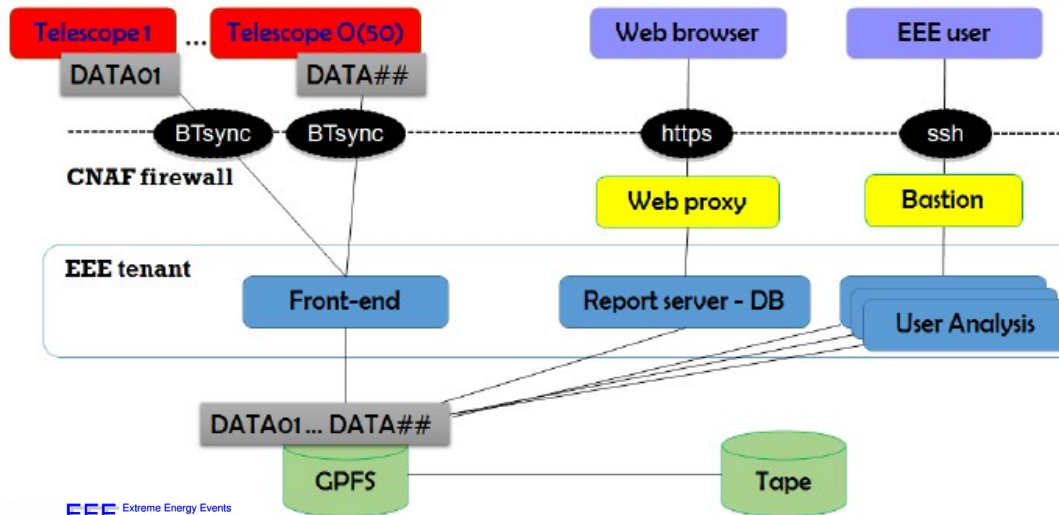
GPS @ 10-20 ns resolution



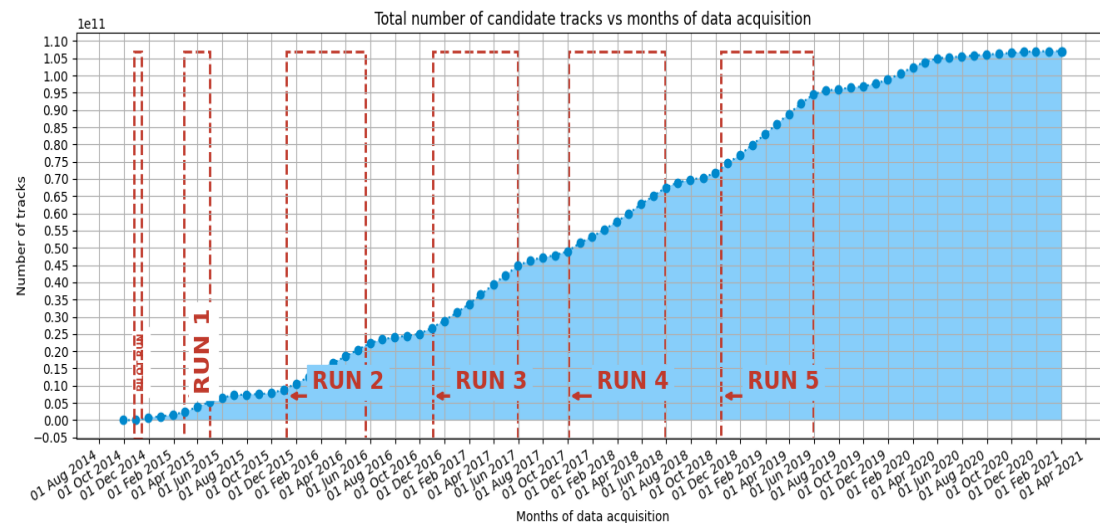
Some EEE telescope installations



Data are automatically sent to INFN CNAF, reconstructed and processed by DQM



> 100 billions tracks
with $\chi^2 < 10$
have been collected
for analysis



E.E.E.

**How to make a clever use of the
DATA QUALITY MONITOR**

**(and understanding
the path to a discovery)**

OUTLOOK

The path to a scientific discovery is a long, arduous and intricate.
Each step hides unknown sources of mistake.
Human inclination to crave for understanding the Universe is as well a
strong source of will-driven mirages.

Let's try to a make the path together, step by step

Data Quality Monitoring (DQM)

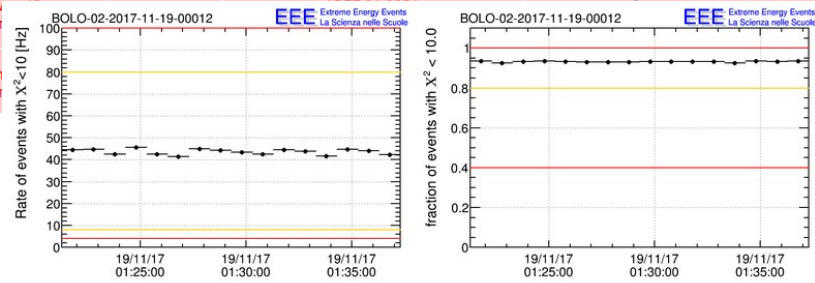
Insights

DQM

NETSTATUS

Telescopes status

School	Day	Time	Name of the last transferred File	Number of Files transferred today	Last Entry in the e-logbook of the Schools	Name of the last File analyzed by DQM	DQM daily report	RATE of Triggers for the last Run in DQM	RATE of Tracks for the last Run in DQM	Link DQM
ALTA-01 <i>[Event Display]</i>	sab 15 febbraio	11:08	ALTA-01-2020-02-15-00032.bin	0 <i>[History]</i>	*	ALTA-01-2020-02-15-00032.bin	*	31.0	10.0	ALTA-01
ANCO-01 <i>[Event Display]</i>	dom 08 marzo	19:08	ANCO-01-2020-02-25-00002.bin	0 <i>[History]</i>	*	ANCO-01-2020-02-25-00002.bin	*	22.0	15.0	ANCO-01
AREZ-01 <i>[Event Display]</i>					*	AREZ-01-2021-03-12-00004.bin	*	14.0	11.0	AREZ-01
BARI-01 <i>[Event Display]</i>					*	BARI-01-2021-03-16-00012.bin	*	10.0	9.0	BARI-01



RUN SUMMARY

- DST file path: /home/hoferini/recoold/emp2/BOLO-02-2017-11-19-00012_dst.root
- Unique run identifier: 6397500012
- Smallest event timestamp: 343448477.007 s UTC
- Largest event timestamp: 343449500.929 s UTC
- Run duration (largest - smallest timestamp): 1023.923 s
- Total number of events: 47932
- Number of events with hits: 47912
- Number of events with a track: 44637
- Number of "no hits" (GPS?) events: 20
- Number of "no hit" events: 20
- Number of malformed events: 0
- Number of events out of order: 1

WEATHER STATION

- Readout at 343448400.000 s UTC (77.007 s before the start of the run)
- Outdoor temperature: 9.00 deg C
- Indoor temperature: 21.00 deg C
- Pressure: 1008 hPa

ALARM SUMMARY

PLOT	ALARM	STATUS	OUTPUT	LIMITS
RateHitEvents	y_values	Clean	48.67 +- 0.89	[4 / 8 - 80 / 100]
DeltaTime	exp_fit_lambda	Clean	46.97 +- 0.22	[4 / 8 - 80 / 100]
HitMultTop	x_average	Clean	1.4788 +- 0.0036	[0.500 / 0.750 - 2 / 3]
HitMultMid	x_average	Clean	1.3551 +- 0.0034	[0.500 / 0.750 - 2 / 3]
HitMultBot	x_average	Clean	1.4167 +- 0.0034	[0.500 / 0.750 - 2 / 3]
HitMultTotal	x_average	Clean	4.2499 +- 0.0074	[1.50 / 2.50 - 6 / 9]
ClusterMultTop	x_average	Clean	1.0924 +- 0.0020	[0.500 / 0.750 - 2 / 3]
ClusterMultMid	x_average	Clean	1.0924 +- 0.0021	[0.500 / 0.750 - 2 / 3]
ClusterMultBot	x_average	Clean	1.0928 +- 0.0020	[0.500 / 0.750 - 2 / 3]
ClusterMultTotal	x_average	Clean	3.2760 +- 0.0048	[1.50 / 2.50 - 6 / 9]
ChiSquare	x_average	Warning	1.718 +- 0.018	[1 / 2 - 6 / 10]
RateTrackEvents	y_values	Clean	41.51 +- 0.82	[4 / 8 - 80 / 100]
FractionTrackEvents	y_values	Clean	0.9358 +- 0.0046	[0.400 / 0.800 - 1 / 1]
Phi				

ANCO-01 DQM list

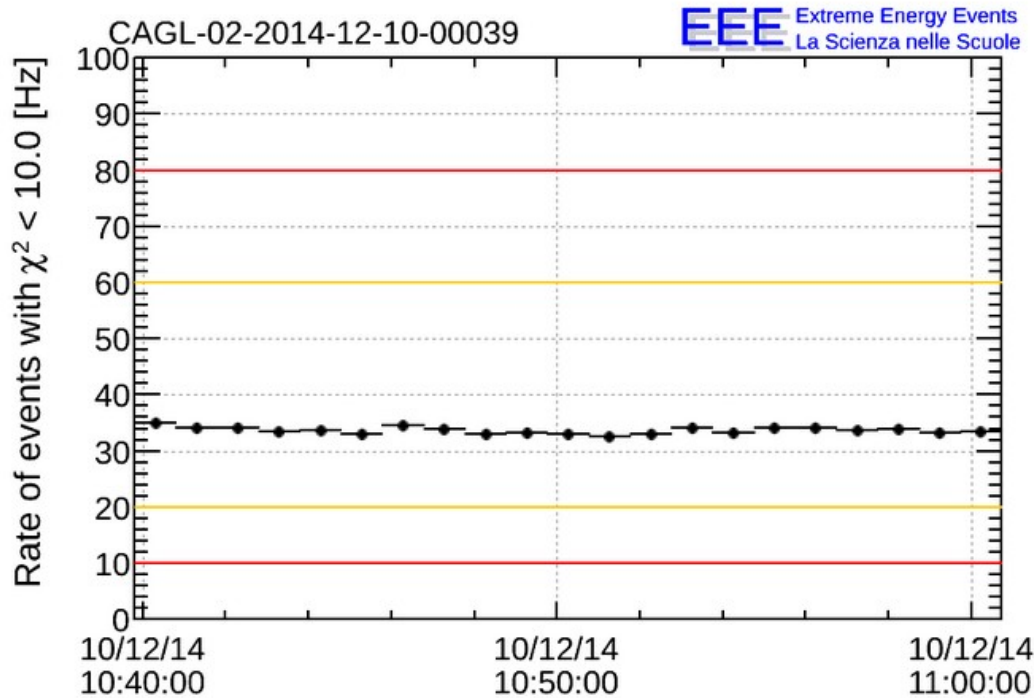
2020-02-25	2020-02-12	2020-02-11	2020-02-10	2020-02-09
2020-02-08	2020-02-07	2020-02-06	2020-02-05	2020-02-04
2020-02-03	2020-02-02	2020-02-01	2020-01-31	2020-01-30
2020-01-29	2020-01-25	2020-01-24	2020-01-23	2020-01-22
2020-01-21	2020-01-18	2020-01-17	2020-01-16	2020-01-15
2020-01-14	2020-01-13	2020-01-12	2020-01-11	2020-01-10
2020-01-09	2020-01-08	2020-01-07	2020-01-06	2020-01-05
2020-01-04	2020-01-03	2020-01-02	2020-01-01	2019-12-31
2019-12-30	2019-12-29	2019-12-28	2019-12-27	2019-12-26
2019-12-25	2019-12-24	2019-12-23	2019-12-22	2019-12-21
2019-12-20	2019-12-19	2019-12-18	2019-12-17	2019-12-16
2019-12-15	2019-12-14	2019-12-13	2019-12-12	2019-12-11
2019-12-10	2019-12-09	2019-12-08	2019-12-07	2019-11-30
2019-11-29	2019-11-28	2019-11-27	2019-11-26	2019-11-25
2019-11-24	2019-11-23	2019-11-22	2019-11-21	2019-11-20
2019-11-17	2019-11-16	2019-11-15	2019-11-14	2019-11-13
2019-11-12	2019-11-11	2019-11-10	2019-11-09	2019-11-08
2019-11-07	2019-11-06	2019-11-05	2019-11-04	2019-11-03
2019-11-02	2019-11-01	2019-10-31	2019-10-30	2019-10-29
2019-10-28	2019-10-27	2019-10-25	2019-10-24	2019-10-23
2019-10-22	2019-10-21	2019-10-20	2019-10-19	2019-10-18
2019-10-17	2019-10-16	2019-10-15	2019-10-14	2019-09-13

DQM

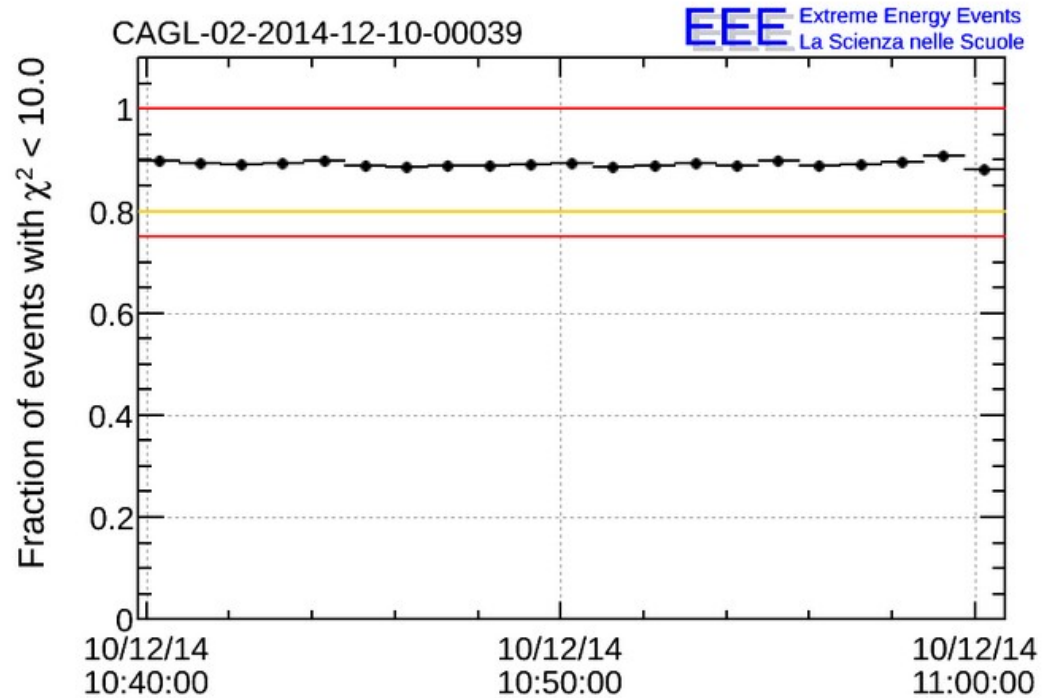
RUN DQM

Run quality

EEE DQM run report



Good tracks rate $\chi^2 < 10$



Fraction of good events
(with a good track)

DQM

RUN DQM

Run quality

RUN SUMMARY

- DST file path: /home/analisi/eeetmp/CAGL-02-2014-12-10-00039_dst.root
- Unique run identifier: 10290000039
- Smallest event timestamp: 250601988.021 s UTC
- Largest event timestamp: 250603243.596 s UTC
- Run duration (largest - smallest timestamp): 1255.575 s
- Total number of events: 50000
- Number of events with hits: 47341
- Number of events with a track: 42232
- Number of "no hits" (GPS?) events: 2520
- Number of "no hit" events: 139
- Number of malformed events: 0
- Number of events out of order: 0

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WEATHER STATION

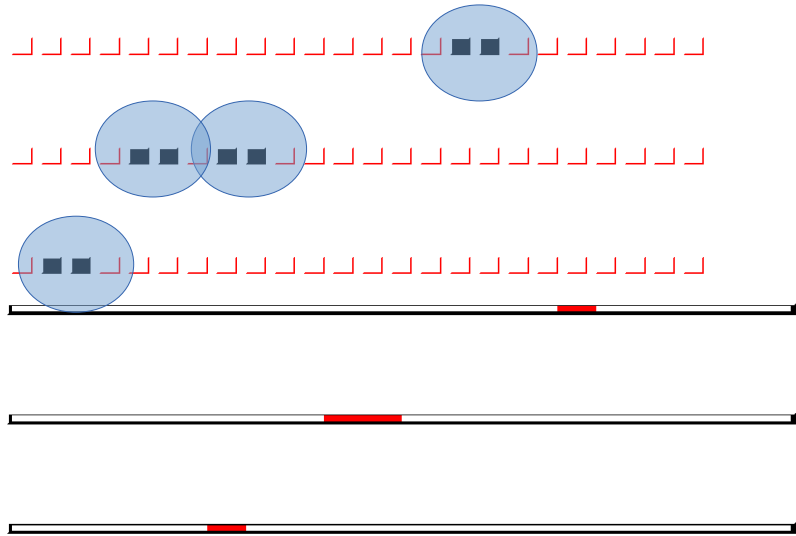
- Readout at 250600800.000 s UTC (1188.021 s before the start of the run)
- Outdoor temperature: 14.60 deg C
- Indoor temperature: 23.90 deg C
- Pressure: 1018 hPa

DQM

Run quality

RUN DQM

DQM histograms and alarms
**Plenty of information
 not to be left unused!**



ALARM SUMMARY

PLOT	ALARM	STATUS	OUTPUT	LIMITS
RateHitEvents	y_values	Clean	31.41 +- 0.72	[10 / 20 – 60 / 80]
DeltaTime	exp_fit_lambda	Clean	33.32 +- 0.16	[5 / 10 – 50 / 75]
HitMultTop	x_average	Clean	1.0810 +- 0.0019	[0.500 / 0.750 – 2 / 3]
HitMultMid	x_average	Clean	1.0925 +- 0.0021	[0.500 / 0.750 – 2 / 3]
HitMultBot	x_average	Clean	1.0929 +- 0.0021	[0.500 / 0.750 – 2 / 3]
HitMultTotal	x_average	Clean	3.2614 +- 0.0052	[1.50 / 2.50 – 6 / 9]
ClusterMultTop	x_average	Clean	1.0810 +- 0.0019	[0.500 / 0.750 – 2 / 3]
ClusterMultMid	x_average	Clean	1.0925 +- 0.0021	[0.500 / 0.750 – 2 / 3]
ClusterMultBot	x_average	Clean	1.0927 +- 0.0021	[0.500 / 0.750 – 2 / 3]
ClusterMultTotal	x_average	Clean	3.2662 +- 0.0052	[1.50 / 2.50 – 6 / 9]
ChiSquare	x_average	Clean	2.735 +- 0.020	[1 / 2 – 6 / 10]
RateTrackEvents	y_values	Clean	29.85 +- 0.70	[10 / 20 – 60 / 80]
FractionTrackEvents	y_values	Clean	0.9642 +- 0.0042	[0.750 / 0.800 – 1 / 1]
Phi				
Theta				
TimeOfFlight				
TrackLength				

DQM

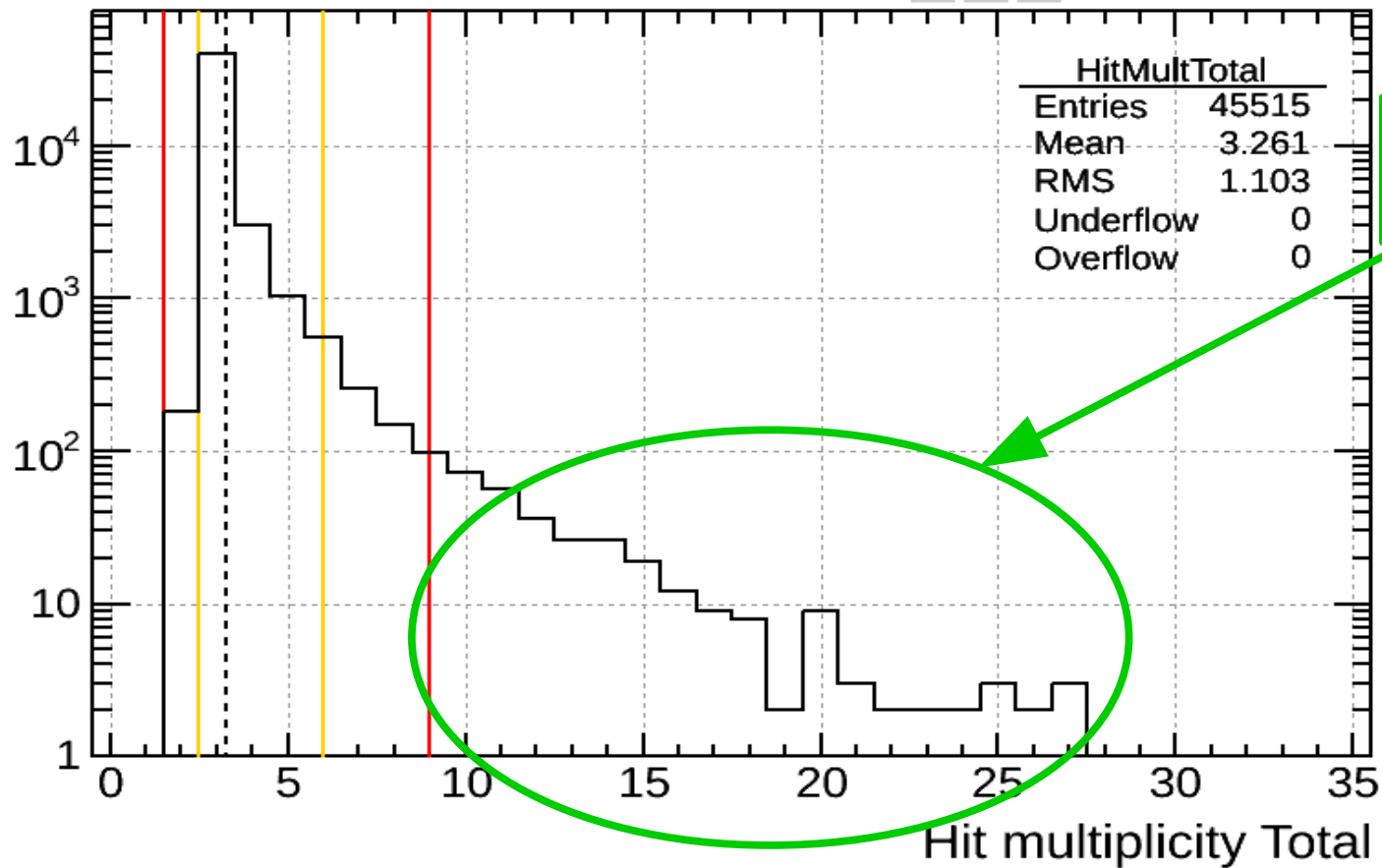
RUN DQM

Run quality

HIT MULTIPLICITY
distribution

FRAS-02-2014-11-22-00017

EEE Extreme Energy Events
La Scienza nelle Scuole



“noisy”
events

DQM

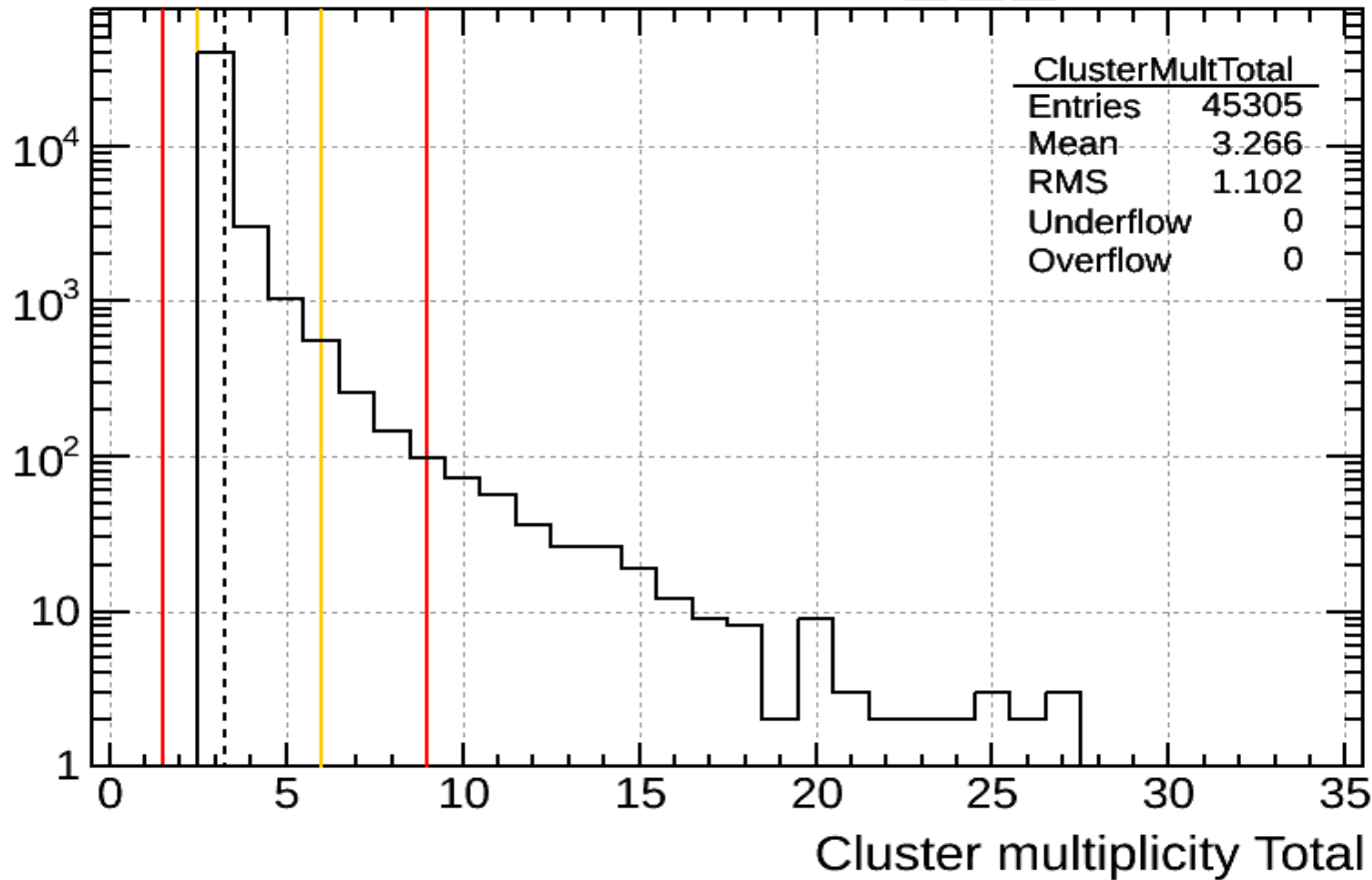
RUN DQM

Run quality

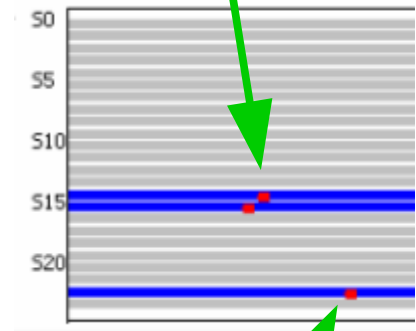
CLUSTER MULTIPLICITY distribution

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EEE Extreme Energy Events
La Scienza nelle Scuole

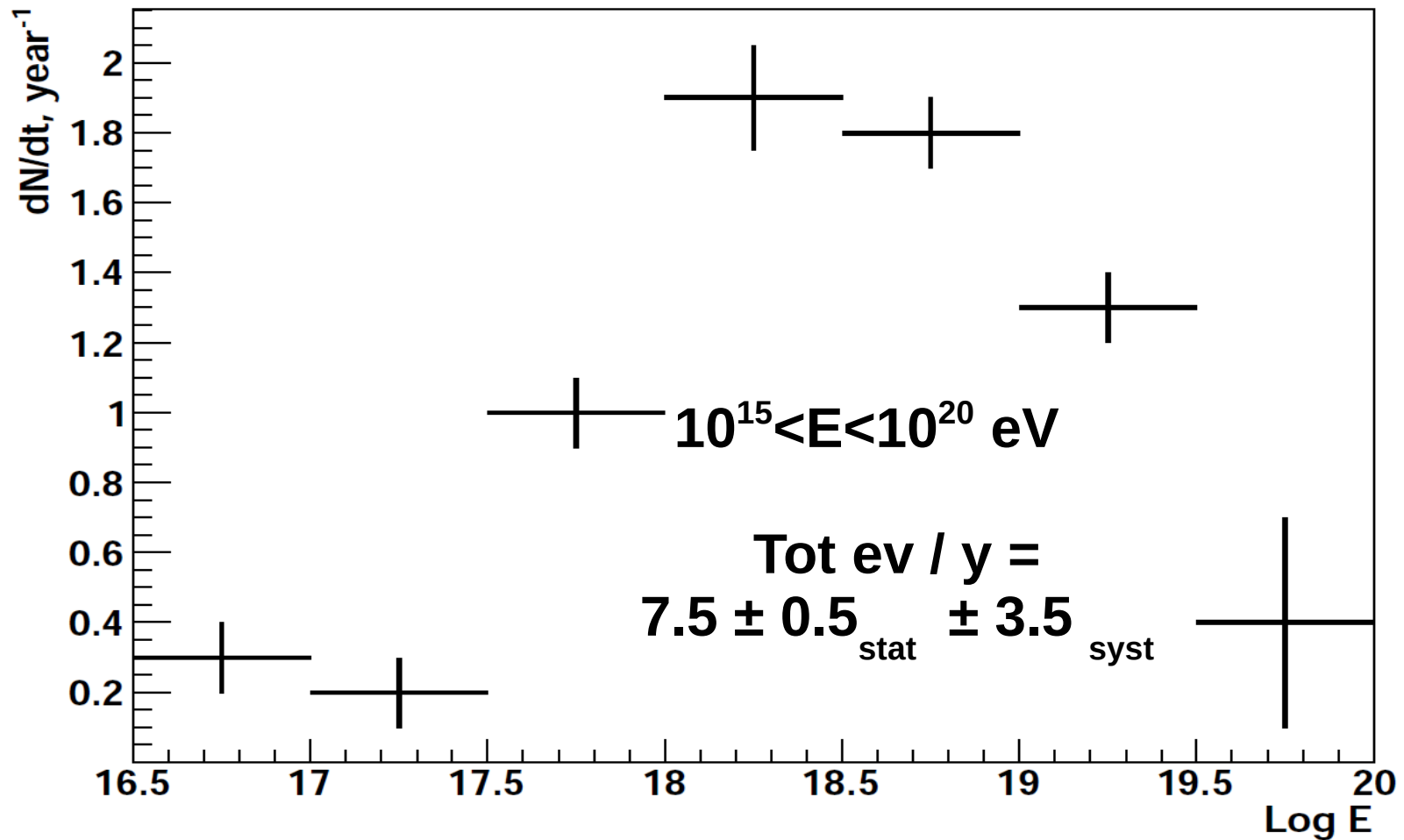


Cluster



Single hit

Let's start to think what we need to come to a measurement and (possibly) to a discovery



Insights

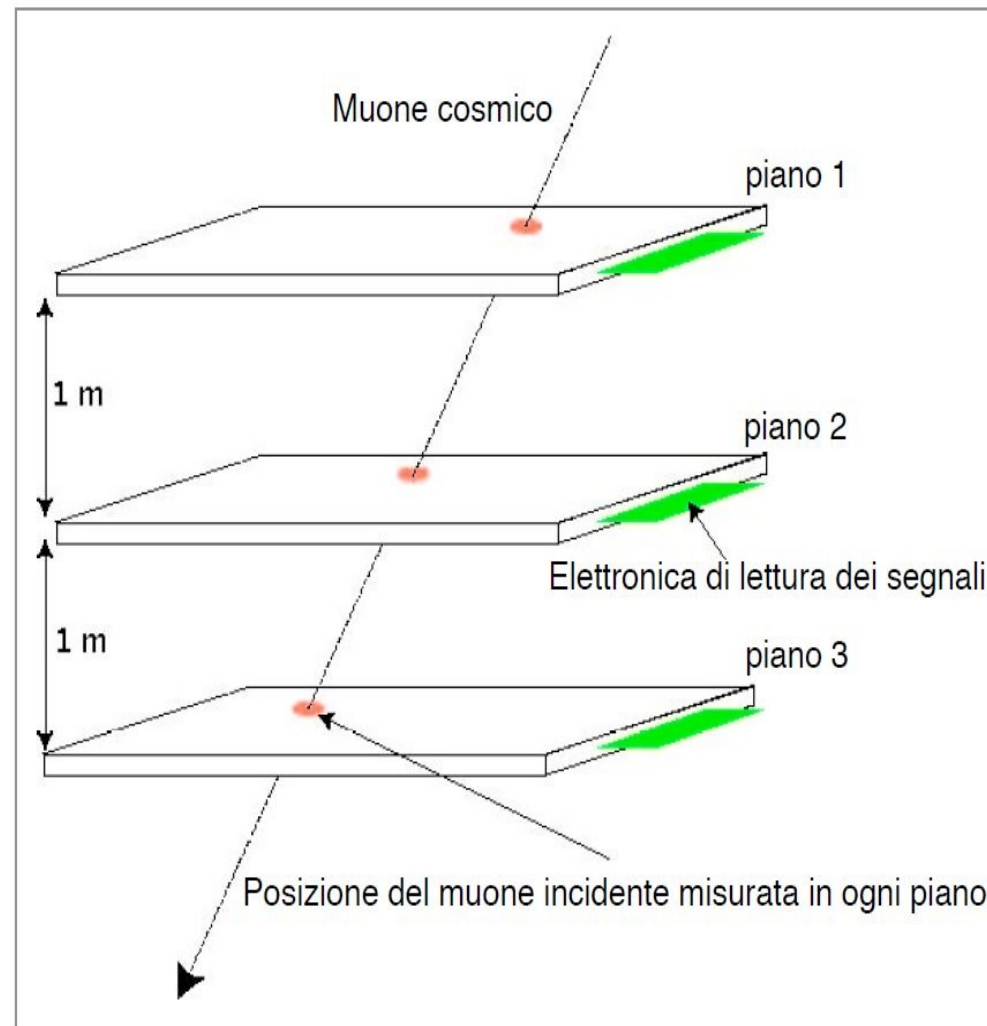
- Two important parameters:
- the telescope efficiency
 - the spurious coincidence rate

The **efficiency** is the Probability for a MRPC to detect a particle. On a high amount of particles travelling across a chamber the efficiency is

Eff =

N of particles detected

Number of particles actually travelled through the chamber



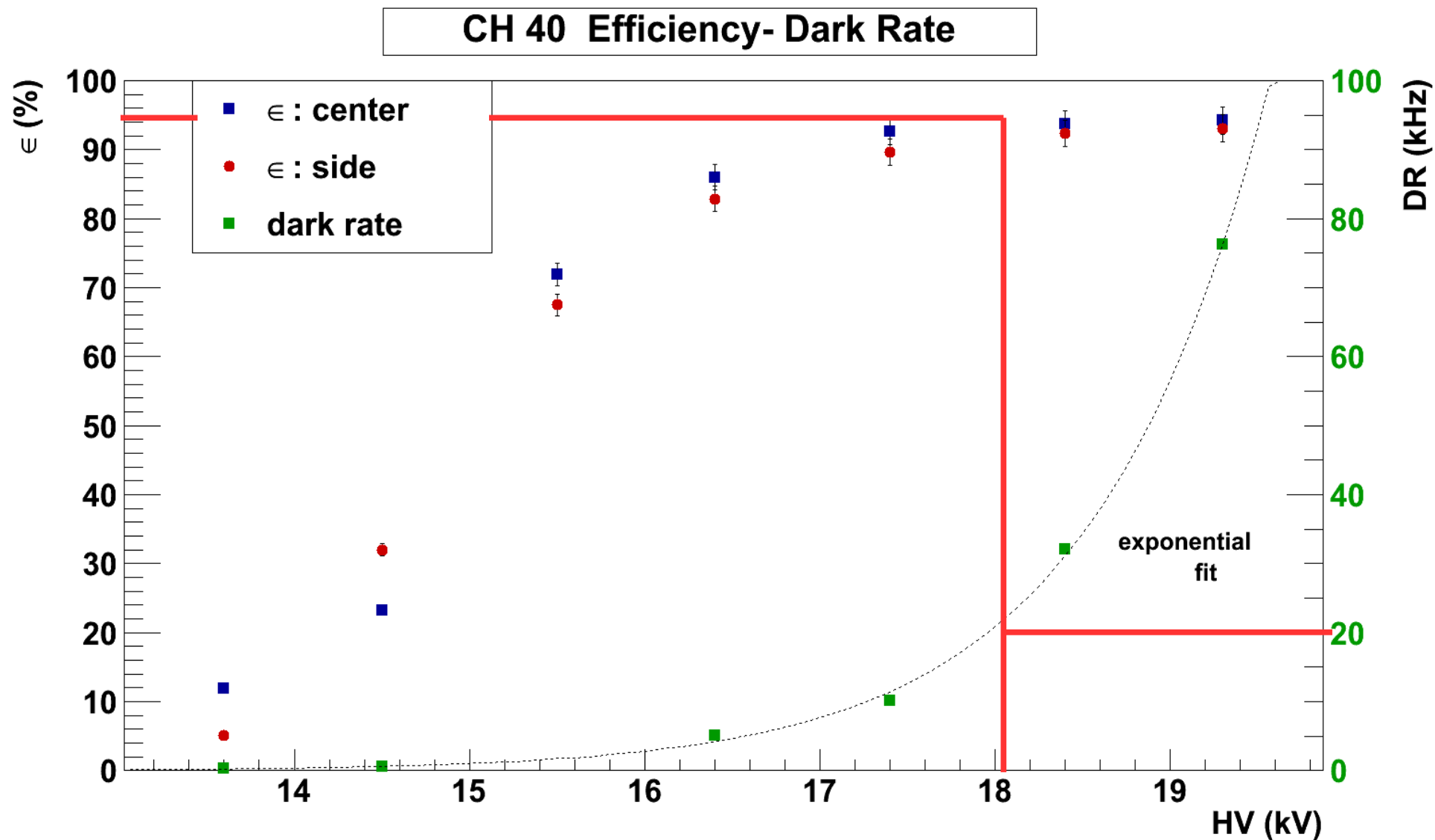
The **spurious rate** is the rate of signals seen by a MRPC (or a telescope) NOT CORRELATED with a real particle passing through the MRPC.

Insights

Dark Rate & Efficiency

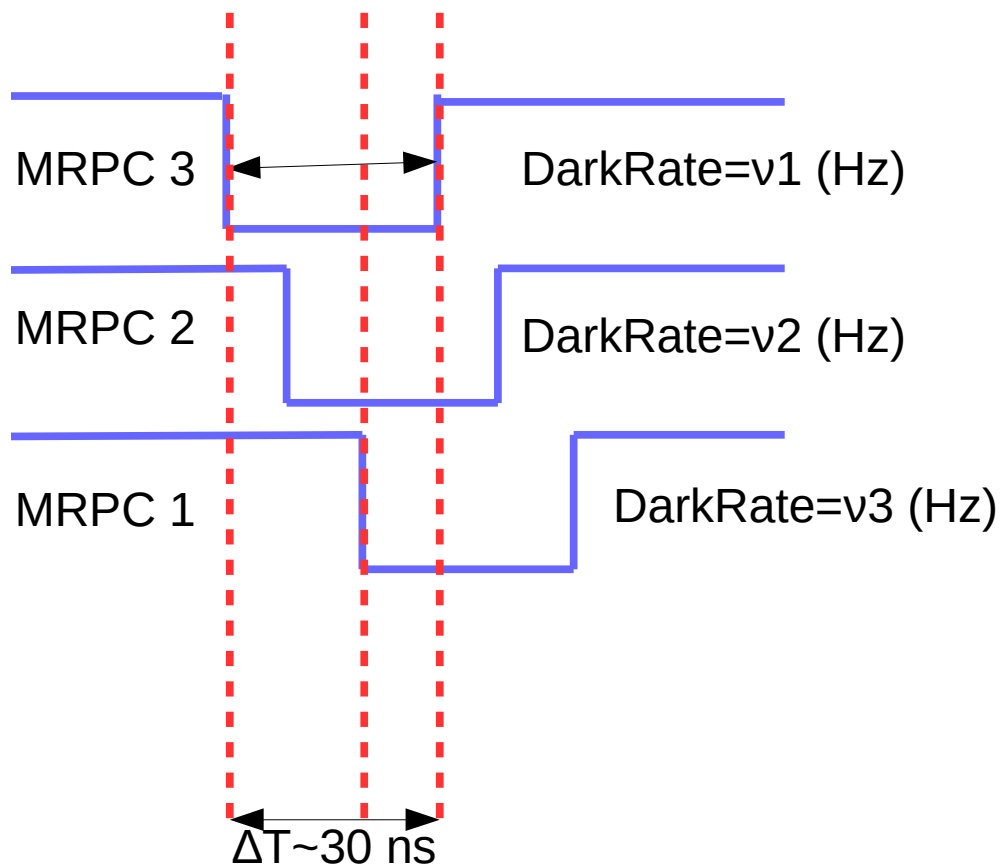
A telescope WORKING POINT:

- Efficiency
- Dark Rate (DR)



Insights

Dark Rate & Spurious



Spurious coincidences for a set of MRPC of a EEE telescope

$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$ non correlated

Spurious coins in MRPC 2 in ΔT

$$v_2 \cdot \Delta T$$

Spurious coins in MRPC 3 in ΔT

$$v_3 \cdot \Delta T$$

Spurious rate:

$$v(\text{doubles}) = 2 \cdot (v_1 \cdot \Delta T) \cdot (v_2 \cdot \Delta T) / \Delta T \\ = 2 \cdot v_1 \cdot v_2 \cdot \Delta T$$

$$v(\text{triples}) = 3 \cdot v_1 \cdot v_2 \cdot v_3 \cdot \Delta T^2 \\ \sim 3 \cdot (2 \cdot 10^4 \text{ Hz})^3 \cdot (2 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ s})^2 = \\ \sim 10^{-2} \text{ Hz}$$

Coincidences are fundamental tool to decrease the rate of spurious and allowing for the observation of real particles

The time window keeps into account

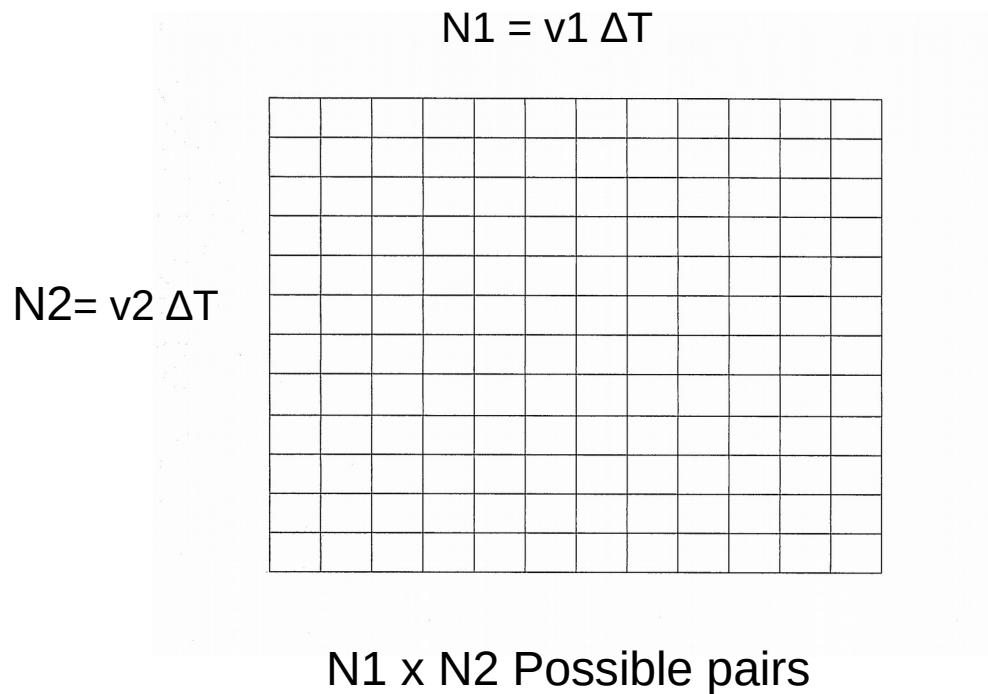
- **Signal speed** along the strips (20 ns)
- **Time of Flight** between chambers

Insights

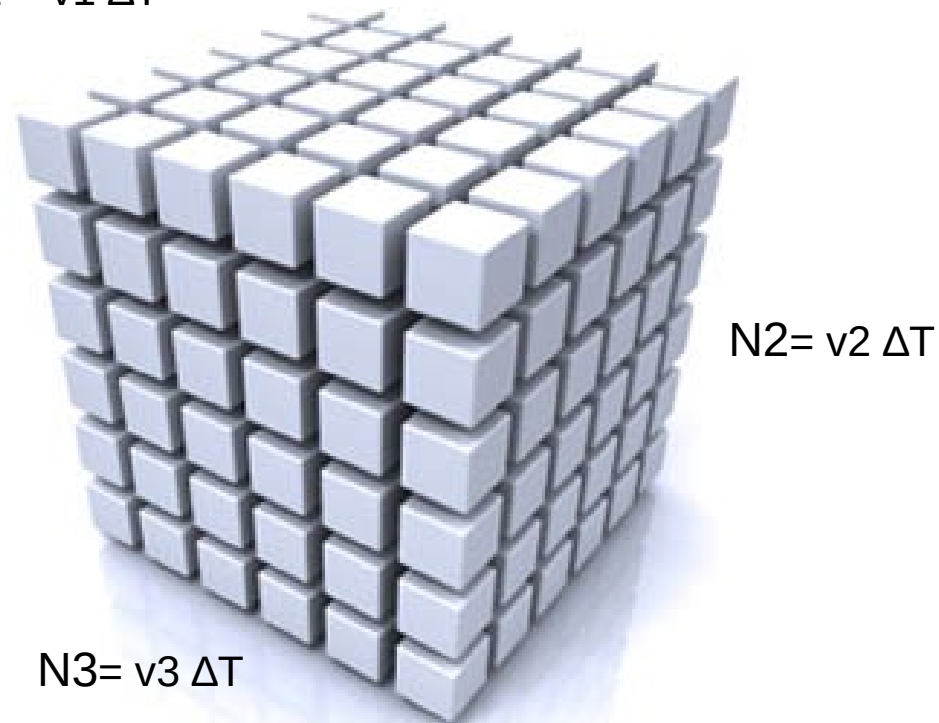
Dark Rate & Spurious

$$v(\text{Ntuples}) = N \cdot v_1 \cdot v_2 \cdot v_3 \cdot \dots \cdot v_N \times \Delta T^{N-1}$$

where N comes from the firing MRPCs



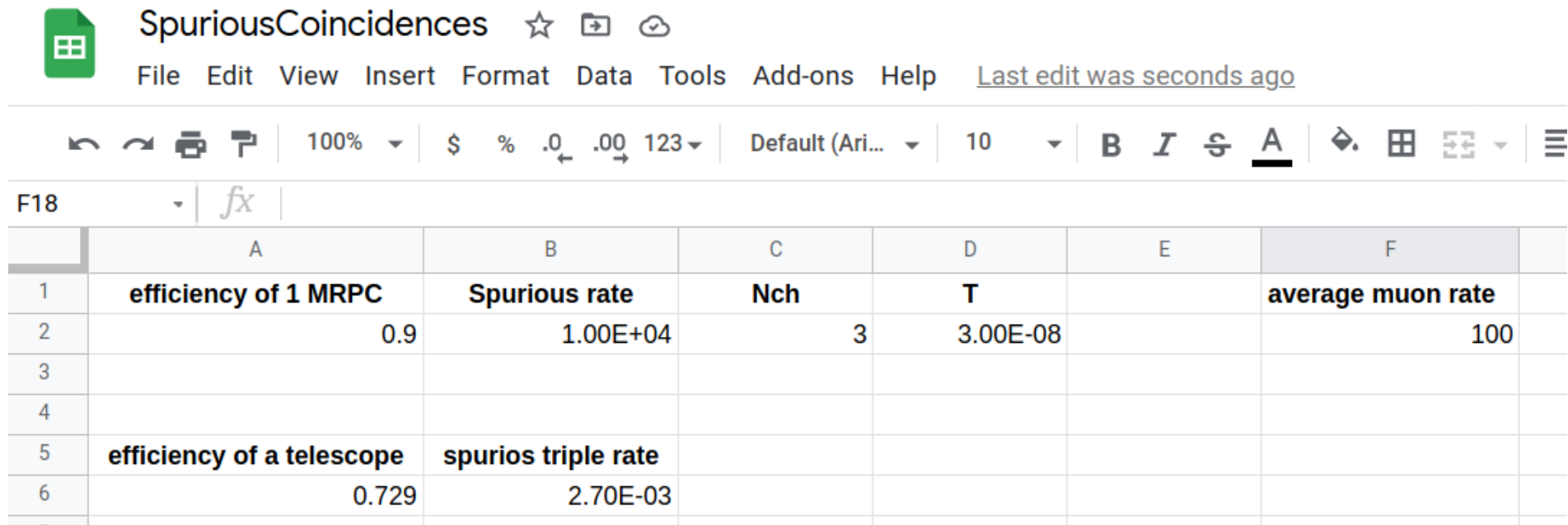
$$N_1 = v_1 \Delta T$$



N1 x N2 x N3 Possible
triples

Hands on!

Dark Rate & Spurious



The screenshot shows a Google Sheet titled "SpuriousCoincidences" with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Insert, Format, Data, Tools, Add-ons, Help) and a toolbar. The spreadsheet has columns A through F. The data is as follows:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	efficiency of 1 MRPC	Spurious rate	Nch	T		average muon rate
2	0.9	1.00E+04	3	3.00E-08		100
3						
4						
5	efficiency of a telescope	spurious triple rate				
6	0.729	2.70E-03				
7						

Try to:

- evaluate the spurious telescope rate as a function of N chambers per telescope
- evaluate the efficiency of a telescope as a function of N chambers per telescope
- make plots showing this two quantities vs N
- study the good track/false triggers over 1 year of data taking vs N
- Define a proposal: which is the optimal number of MRPC for a telescope?